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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated October 3, 2001, in connection with the above-identified application, attached hereto is an executed Declaration for Patent Application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. In addition, a payment in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the required surcharge for filing the declaration is also attached, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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